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1. Disappointment and fear have spread among many former Russian emigrants who recently received Soviet passports. They no longer desire, as they once did, permission to enter the USSR. Even the young people, indoctrinated with the "mystery of the Happy Soviet Land", who personally appealed for entry visas through proper Soviet channels in Shanghai, now hope only to be forgotten.
2. Many Soviets have made efforts to obtain visas to South American countries. Prior to sending their applications to the South American consulate, each Soviet citizen must first obtain written permission from the Soviet Consulate.
3. At first, when only a few applicants appeared at the Soviet Consulate, they were met without questions and some even received the desired permission. This fact encouraged others. Soon many applicants appeared seeking the necessary permission. Soviet Consulate officials met these people with violent indignation and spared no words in reprimanding them. To the amazement of the officials, however, this did not stop the applicants; some of them came several times.
4. A special conference was then called in the Soviet Consulate. Many minor Soviet officials were surprised when it was decided to consider all these applicants more favorably. It was then announced that special days would be set when persons could request permission to apply for South American visas and that no objection would be raised by the Soviet Consulate. Now one of the favorite topics of conversation in the Shanghai Soviet community is immigration to South America.

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